

## DAYTONIANS PLAN WRIGHT FD

### Wright Brothers First Day Covers

Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson announced that the Wright Brothers 6-cent Air Mail Commemorative Stamp will be placed on first-day sale at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, on December 17.

This new stamp, which is being issued to commemorate the first flight of the Wright Brothers, will be 0.84 by 1.44 inches in dimensions, arranged horizontally with a single line frame.

The Wright Brothers' historic plane, with the caption "First Free Controlled and Sustained Powered Flight by Man" in dark Gothic, forms the central design. The portraits of the two aviation pioneer brothers, Wilbur and Orville Wright, with the names of each in white Gothic, appear in the upper right corner of the stamp.

In the upper left corner appear the denomination "6c" and the words "Air Mail" in modified Gothic. At the bottom in a shaded panel is the lettering "United States Postage" in white Gothic.

The Wright Brothers' stamp, the color of which will be announced later, will be issued in sheets of 50 each.

Stamp collectors desiring first day cancellations of this stamp may send a limited number of self-addressed envelopes, not in excess of 10, to the Postmaster at Kitty Hawk with postal note or money order remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed. An enclosure of medium weight should be placed in each envelope and the flap either sealed or turned in. An outside envelope to the Postmaster should be endorsed "First Day Covers".

### Louisianans Offer Five Day Stamp Show

Right in the middle of their stamp exhibition from November 15 to 19, the members of the Baton Rouge (La.) Stamp Club are going to have a picnic in place of the banquet which usually attends such affairs.

The picnic is scheduled for November 17.

Site of the show will be the East Baton Rouge Parish Library. There members will exhibit collections which in content will give a world wide representation of postage stamps and covers.

A cordial invitation is extended by the club to all interested persons to view the exhibition or to attend the picnic.

**Slogan Cancellation For Oregon City's Centennial**

Collectors interested in slogan cancellations can get one on their covers in the very near future from Albany, Oregon.

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**THE FIRST WRIGHT PLANE IN FLIGHT** is shown on the 6c commemorative air mail stamp which will be issued on December 17 at Kitty Hawk, N. C. Also shown are the creators of the plane, Wilbur and Orville Wright. The Post Office Department stated that a color for the stamp would be announced later. There will be fifty stamps to each post office size pane, but the quantity of the initial printing was not revealed. Details for the obtaining of first day covers can be found elsewhere on this page.

### Total U.P.U. Series Issued Or Promised Now Total 162; Rumor Shortage Of Crown Colonies Sets

As predicted over a month ago, more and more nations are joining the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the Universal Postal Union with issues of stamps. Apparently the eagerness with which collectors bought up the available supplies of each of the stamps as they appeared induced some nations to produce sets which had not intended to do so. Notable among the latecomers are those nations which pattern their political operations on the Soviet form of government.

Jugoslavia, home of the rebellious Tito, issued a set of stamps of 3, 5 and 12 dinars on September 8 which just the past few weeks found its way to United States stamps marts. That country's stamp selling is controlled by the government a factor which makes itself felt when the present retail price of the three stamps is noted.

Average cost to collectors is near \$2 from their dealers, while in actuality, the face value of the three stamps is little more than 30 cents.

Jugoslavia overprinted two of its UPU stamps as an issue for that part of Trieste which it controls. Both of those stamps sell for more than one dollar retail.

From the eastern zone of Germany, controlled by the Russians came a very attractive single stamp for the UPU anniversary. In a blue color it depicts a dove in flight carrying a message.

Eight stamps have appeared for the Portuguese Colonies, and it can be assumed that the mother country will produce an issue for the UPU also.

Suriname is another of the Netherlands Colonies which has come through with a set of two stamps. There is a 7½c red brown and a 27½c blue in the same size and similar design to other Netherlands and Colonies UPU issues.

A new name appeared among the stamp using countries when it was stated in a news release from England that the British UPU set had been overprinted for use in Dubai an alleged British affiliate on the Persian Gulf. Apparently, the values of the stamps will be identical to those for Bahrain, Kuwait and Muscat, neighbors of this newest of British "whistle stops". The latter three had 2½, 3, 6 annas and 1 Rupee denominations in their sets.

Bulgaria issued a modest single stamp in large format as its tribute. The stamp with a value of 50 levas appeared October 10.

Colombia stepped right out with an issue of two souvenir sheets and seven stamps to get its oar in the UPU flood. The stamps have denominations of 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 5c and 11c all of which depict different kinds of orchids, and an 18c which pictures the former Colonial Post Office. Value of the souvenir sheets is not known.

Hungary, which under its new management has passed up few opportunities to issue stamps for everything and anything, finally (Continued on page 5)

### Cachet Offered By Denver VFW Post

On December 1, 1949 the John S. Stewart Post No. 1, Denver, Colorado, will sponsor a cachet commemorating the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

The cachet will be applied free of charge to all covers received up to and including December first.

The sponsoring post is the oldest post in the Veterans of Foreign Wars having been the host in the latter part of 1899 when a small group of Spanish American war veterans met in Denver for the purpose of forming one large veterans organization out of several smaller groups.

Out of this meeting came the Veterans of Foreign Wars with John S. Stewart Post being given the designation of Post No. 1.

The cachet will be approximately 2½ inches wide by 2¾ inches high and will be applied in blue ink.

Those desiring cachets should send their envelopes under cover to Cachet Committee, Box 251, Denver 1, Colorado.

All commemorative stamps received on the wrappers will be distributed at Fitzsimons General Hospital and Fort Logan Veterans Hospital.

### Purple And Red For Two Remaining UPU Stamps

Colors for the two remaining stamps in the series to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Universal Postal Union have been announced by the Post Office Department.

The 10c, which will have its first day of issue at New Orleans, La. on November 18 will be purple.

The 25c denomination with a first day at Seattle, Washington on November 30 will be red.

### Dayton Philatelic Society Will Fly Stamps In From Kitty Hawk; Decry P.O.D.'s First Day Policy

Rebuffed by the Post Office Department in their attempts to get Dayton, Ohio named as a first day city for the Wright Brothers stamp, matters have been taken into their own hands by Dayton citizens led by the Dayton Philatelic Society. The stamp which is to be issued December 17 was announced in an official Bulletin from the Department as being for the celebration of the "Return of the Wright Brothers Plane from England". The first day city has been designated as Kitty Hawk, N. C. the place where the plane was first flown.

The Dayton club has announced that it will have the Wright stamp on hand the first day of issue and that it has prepared official covers for the mailing from Dayton. The stamp will also be on sale at the exhibition of the group in the Miami Hotel, December 17 and 18.

Spark plug of the Dayton Philatelic Society's efforts to get the stamp first day is Carl Soendlin, secretary of the group. With the help of other members of the Society an intense campaign was waged to interest civic leaders, business people, clubs, the Chamber of Commerce, industry and the Mayor and the City Commission in the project.

In each case the club met with successful cooperation — letters and resolutions were dispatched to the Postmaster General requesting the first day.

Splendid cooperation was given by the daily papers.

Soendlin himself has carried the fight for the stamp with three appearances on local radio stations and once on television. He asked listeners to support the Society's campaign for the stamp.

"It was a mistake to give the first day to Kitty Hawk," stated Soendlin. "That community had nothing to do with the return of the Wright plane from England, nor did Dayton or any other city. But since Dayton was the home of the Wright Brothers and where most of their work on the plane was done, it would be no more than fitting that the first day was here."

In a "sassy" front page news story in the Sunday, October 23, Dayton Daily News that paper reflected the views of Dayton Citizens as follows.

"Uncle Whiskers to the contrary, the Orville Wright commemorative stamp will be available in Dayton on the day of issue—Dec. 17.

"The Wright brothers' own invention—the airplane—and the Dayton Philatelic Society will bring it here.

"And all despite the U. S. Post-office Department's refusal to give Dayton the honor of being the city where the stamp is to be first issued.

"The ire of the Philatelic Society—and of many more Daytonians—was aroused by the Department's recent announcement that Kitty Hawk, N. C., had been chosen to be that city.

"IT IS DAYTON that was the brothers' home the greater part of their lives and the scene of most of their aviation activities. Why was not this city named for the honor?"

"Members of the Society, led by Secretary Carl Soendlin, bombarded the department with protests as did many other Dayton individuals and organizations.

"But to no avail.

"Efforts to have the Department stage the first sales simultaneously in both locations also were rebuffed. It was not the Department's policy and besides, it would mean extra expense, the Daytonians were told.

"The Department declared the purpose of the stamp was to commemorate the first flight at Kitty Hawk on Dec. 17, 1903—and Kitty Hawk would therefore be the

place where the first of the commemorative stamps would be sold. "SO THE SOCIETY, Soendlin announced has decided that Daytonians will not be deprived of what they consider their rightful due.

"The Miami Valley Flying service, he said, will pick up the Wright stamps at Kitty Hawk and rush them to the Miami hotel, where the stamp collectors' group will be holding its 23rd annual exhibit.

"Specially cacheted envelopes will be available there. Wright stamps will be placed on them and then the envelopes will be delivered to the postoffice here for cancellation with the Dayton postmark—on the first day of the sale."

Within the next few weeks, the Dayton Philatelic Society will have detailed instructions as to the steps to be taken by cover collectors to get the official Dayton Philatelic Society cachet for the Dayton first day. Until then, no inquiries should be directed to the Society.

### Congress Cachet Thanksgiving Week

Cover collectors who are planning to get the specially cacheted envelopes which the Columbus Philatelic Club will mail from the American Philatelic Congress at Columbus, Ohio November 25 to 27 are urged to make their wants known soon as possible.

Two designs will be used for the occasion, one depicting the coat of arms of the Club, the other a covered wagon. Both have appropriate wording for the event they commemorate.

A special cancellation will be applied to cacheted covers. It will be the regular Philatelic Congress cancellation of the hand stamp variety which makes it possible for the club to honor any special cancellation requests.

The club will supply the commemorative stamps for the covers all of which will have designs in keeping with the cachets.

Covers will sell at 15c each. In ordering, collectors are to state which of the two cachets are wanted and on what day they want their covers cancelled.

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## Expert Burglars Loot New York Stamp Store

According to a story in the New York Times, burglars, at least one of them a stamp expert, broke into the General Stamp Co., 100 Nassau St., New York City some time between 6:15 p. m. Saturday, October 22 and 8:45 a. m. the following Monday.

They escaped with a large quantity of stamps valued in the "tens of thousands of dollars."

The theft was discovered when the store was opened Monday by the concern's secretary, Mrs. Susi Cahlin.

The thieves successfully eluded an electric alarm system by getting into an unprotected adjoining store and cutting through the wall. It was the work of highly-skilled burglars, the police said.

Harold Aronson, manager of the concern, noted that only the most valuable stamps were taken.

The burglars ripped open three safes and selected from their contents better grade twentieth-century, unused stamps of the world. Additional loot was taken from wall cases and display counters.

Mr. Aronson said that he was unable immediately to approximate the loss, which is covered by insurance. He explained that the theft from one wall case alone was estimated at \$7,000.

Before leaving the building the burglars took 125 pairs of silk stockings from the Glove Outlet Company, the store through which they had reached the stamp shop.

Proprietor of the store is Leonid Tankel.

## \$1000 Reward Posted For Stolen Stamps

A recheck in the matter of the stamps stolen from the Brown University Library at Providence, R. I. has indicated that the information released originally was correct with the exception of one item.

Subsequent findings indicate that the 5c Columbian taken was in a block of 12, and not a block of ten as originally thought.

All stamps made away with in the theft were of the 1893 Columbian Exposition issue of the United States in unused condition.

To help spark the recovery of the stamps, the University has offered a reward of up to \$1000. Text of the offer follows:

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Brown University will pay a reward of an aggregate of up to One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.) to any person or persons who furnish information leading to the recovery of some or all of the thirty-seven blocks of unused United States stamps recently stolen from the Webster Knight Collection at the John Hay Library in Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island.

The total amount which will be paid to any such person or persons, and the division between two or more claimants of the sum to be paid, shall be wholly in the discretion of the University, based on its reasonable opinion as to the

value of the information furnished on the proportion of the blocks recovered undamaged and any other pertinent factors.

Unless extended, this offer will expire on November 30, 1949.

All persons having any information which they believe might be of assistance should communicate immediately with David A. Jonah, Librarian of Brown University, at the John Hay Library, Prospect and College Streets, Providence, R. I., between 9 A. M. and 5 P. M. Mr. Jonah's telephone number is UNION 1-2900, Extension 324.

### HENRY M. WRISTON

President of Brown University Collectors offered Columbians similar to the stolen blocks or any Columbians of the five cent or higher denominations under suspicious circumstances, can also telephone Colin MacR. Makepeace, 1030 Hospital Trust Building, Providence, R. I., Gaspee 1-5912, or Chief of Detectives John J. Deary of the Providence Police Department, Gaspee 1-3121, and reverse the charges.



BY KENNETH M. GIERHART  
Baltimore, Ohio

### BLOOMFIELD ENVELOPE

My good friend P. C. Davenport of Bloomfield, N. J. is the first to show your editor one of the new precancelled envelopes. It is from Bloomfield and was used by the Community Chest Committee. A better description of the envelope would be to say that the layout is the same as the old one but that the new type used is in my opinion a Sans Serif Bold or medium possibly eight points.

The Sec. 34.66 P. L. & R. is in a type of the same family possibly six point. On closer examination believe this too is eight point.

It makes a neat appearing envelope and I expect the change is welcomed by envelope collectors. Now I guess the envelope collectors in the non-precancelled field would like to see a change too. If this comes very soon there really will be some scarce precancelled envelopes.

### DOUBLE LINES

From a real old timer, Mr. Chas Metz of Philadelphia, I am informed of the following unlisted Double Lines. Miami, Fla. \$1.00 nor; Atlanta, Ga. 24c Pres. nor; Villa Park, Ill. 17c "31 issue UP; Akron Ohio, 9c Pres. Double nor; These are from a large list and are the IT items.

If readers would like a more complete list from time to time would appreciate a card or note saying so.

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78-85	Roy. Family (8)	8.50 2.15 .80	163-71	Watermark (11)	36.00 9.00
86	2c Map	7.50 1.35 .03	163-71	Watermark (11)	36.00 9.00
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## Our U. S. U. P. HEW Stamps

When the advance pictures of the U. P. U. stamps for our own United States were first shown we were highly pleased with what appeared to be three attractive designs and we hoped for three nice looking stamps.



GEO. W. LINN

The only objection we could find was the fact that these were to be Air Mail Issues of 10c, 15c and 25c respectively. Serious thought led us to the belief that making these high value airmails was a mistake altho we never took the trouble to say so before.

The Universal Postal Union is something that a great many people never heard of and know little or nothing of its functions. Perhaps as a group the stamp collectors are better informed than any other group so they do not need much more information on the subject.

For this reason we do believe that if the stamps had been of low values that would have been bought universally by the public for use on their mail that the great public would have been educated about the U. P. U. As it is now, not one person in 1000 will ever use or see one of these U. P. U. stamps. They will be used in only two ways. The stamp collectors will get theirs on First Day Covers.

The rest of the stamps will be palmed off in some manner on large firms that use the International Air Mails and may possibly use up the stamps, other than what the speculative inclined collectors and dealers buy for future sale to collectors of the years to come. The whole mess is a bad one. Dealers in first day covers and dealers in Plate blocks are in a dither. The FDC boys are wondering how in heck they are ever going to be able to service covers with plate blocks and then get rid of the leavings. If these leavings could be used up on parcel mail it would not be so bad, but they can only be used up on heavy air mail letters and packages and that means a lot of hard work with a liberal discount to get rid of what they do not want. The plate block boys will find themselves in the same fix too.

Of course, these facts are of no interest to the P. O. D. and they of course should not be expected to give such things consideration, but on the other hand they certainly should have considered the general public and we should have had U. P. U. stamps that would help the public understand just what the letters UPU stood for and meant. A series of low value stamps would have done the trick and done it right.

From all over the world, these U. P. U. stamps are coming to our office. With few exceptions, they are fine pieces of the printers and engravers art. Colors are lovely, the designs outstanding and the stamps as a whole a very interesting and attractive set.

But how about our own UPU stamps. As we have said, advance pictures gave promise of an attractive set, disregarding the fact that they were high value airmails, but now we have a glimpse of the first of these stamps to be released, the 15c value and are we sad. The color is one that looks like it had just come out of a hard days wash, it is so pale, so sickly looking that we can think of but one way to describe it and that is to call it nothing more or less than a U. P. UGH stamp. The color is horrible, the Department must have had a tub of ink left over from the Virginia Dare stamp.

## We Feel Sorry For Block Collectors

This goes for those who collect just plain blocks and more particularly for the vast army of Plate Number Block collectors. The extremely poor paper now used in printing our stamps is going to back fire on a lot of these boys some day and the only way to stave off that event is to use the most extreme care in handling your blocks. It is not good to pick up a block any more than necessary and the sooner you can get away from handling the blocks at all the better off your blocks will be. We have many blocks of old vintage that show the effects of handling, the perfs are becoming split or the blocks are breaking on the perforations. You can pick up a block by one end & the mere weight of the paper may cause it to break in the middle or at the end where the plate number is. Once bent at these points and the block is on the way to ruin. The best way to handle your blocks is to obtain a supply of glassine envelopes. There is a size just under or around 3x5. I use this size almost exclusively for all my blocks. The envelopes are 4 7/8 inches long and either just under or over 3 inches high. I place a block in each envelope. I first place a thin sheet of white paper in the envelope to keep the block from sticking to the seams of the envelope. When put up in this manner they can be handled as often as necessary and will not break or bend and thus your blocks will be preserved much longer. I say much longer for eventually the blocks will disintegrate on the perforations as the gum has a tendency to eat at the paper and the perforations are the weak spot and some day, they will split. For my part I will probably be under the sod before that happens, but it will happen eventually with most blocks and then the block value is gone.

If we as a group could only recognize the necessity for washing gum off of unused stamps we would eliminate the greatest menace to our stamps that exists today.

As a collector who has had fifty years experience with stamps I am sold on this thought and believe it would be a great step forward for our hobby. A block will hold together safe and sound if the gum is removed and if our collector organizations would take this matter up seriously and attempt to start a movement for removing gum from unused stamps, they might accomplish that and if they did it would be the greatest blessing that any such organization could bestow upon its members. This is a far more serious matter than most people think it is. Few collectors think beyond their present possession of stamps, but they would be very careful about buying anything left over from previous generations that was not perfect in this respect. How will future generations look upon some of the sadly cracked and broken and bent blocks that we of today are going to leave to them when we are gone?

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- Nov. 14—Equitable Stamp Co., 505 Fifth Ave., New York 17. A sale of British Empire exclusively.
- Nov. 14-16—H. R. Harmer, Inc., 32 E. 57th St., New York 22. United States, Foreign, British Commonwealth.
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I waited patiently for the speaker to begin. He did. Five minutes later he was saying, "On this page is the 1c value. On this page is the 2c value. On this page is the 3c value. Every time he turned a page, he found another value. It seemed that he could find little else in his collection.

A half hour later people were politely stifling yawns and wondering how long they would continue to suffer, but the speaker kept droning on, "On this page is the 62c value. On this page is the 63c value. Finally, he hit the 64c jackpot and sat down. Everybody was happy that a perfectly boring evening had come to an end.

Club officers who are wondering why interest dims and attendance falls, might find some of the answers in their desperate and careless choice of speakers who have nothing to say and don't know how to say it.

That's where kids have it all over us. Leave them alone and they'll have a whale of a lot of fun. But that doesn't mean that oldsters can't enjoy a stamp evening. It might help if they left some of their dignity and their playing cards at home.

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Such enforcement will curtail what in the past fifteen years has come to be a tradition for many folks during the Yule Season.

According to the Orlando (Fla.) Morning Sentinel the situation is as follows:

For 15 years Mrs. Juanita S. Tucker, postmaster at Christmas, has at her own expense stamped each of the thousands of letters and cards which pass through the Christmas post office during the holiday season with a little green Christmas tree cachet.

In March of this year Mrs. Tucker received notification from the office of the third assistant postmaster general that this practice "was a contravention of Sec. 749 P.L.&R." and asking her to discontinue it.

Mrs. Tucker, who took office as postmaster at Christmas in 1932, says she has always endeavored to please the public and to fill all their requests within Postal Laws and Regulations and began using the little green Christmas tree beside the postmark as a compromise between the public's request for red and green postmarks which the Post Office Dept. would not allow and the postal rules against colored cancellations.

"For the past 15 years the little green Christmas tree has been going on the mail beside the postmark, adding extra cheer for the recipients at Christmas time," Mrs. Tucker says, adding, "I have received thousands of letters of appreciation from all over the U. S. for this service. I had no idea that it violated any regulations."

"I want to please the public and do all in my power to add to the spirit of love and good will prevalent in the world at Christmas time," Mrs. Tucker continued in a letter to Sen. Spessard L. Holland, asking for assistance in settling the problem. "I think the Post Office Dept. too should give extra gifts of love and service at that time. This I have endeavored to do in my 17 years as Postmaster and it has paid rich dividends in friendship and good will."

The Senator has taken it up with Jesse M. Donaldson, postmaster general.

In a letter to Donaldson, Sen. Holland stated, "There must be some way in your maze of regulations to authorize continuance of this long-standing custom. I will sincerely appreciate your thoroughly investigating this matter."

The numerous stamp and cover collectors throughout this country and even in some foreign countries are awaiting anxiously the outcome of Mrs. Tucker's plea.

And more, the many Floridians who send their Christmas cards to the Christmas post office and the thousands of recipients in all parts of the land have a stake in this little added brightness and cheer for a world which needs all it can get so badly.

## Club Uses Novel Means To Announce Meeting

The Glen Ellyn Philatelic Club of Glen Ellyn, Ill. took a novel means of announcing a meeting recently.

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## U. P. U. ISSUES

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decided to produce a set for the UPU anniversary. First day of issue occurred on November 1.



Three stamps comprise the set; two of them, 60f and 1 Ft for regular postage, and a 2Ft for airmail. There will be a half million of each value. Both the regular postage stamps will have the same design. Colors are 60f red, 1Ft blue and 2Ft reddish brown.

Most amazing development to date is the claimed shortage of the issues for the British Crown Colonies. Unconfirmed reports from London state that the Crown Agents which handled the sets for the dealers there were all sold out even before the stamps were placed on sale October 10.

Orders accompanied by a payment in full had absorbed all the sets which the Crown Agents were to have prior to the release date. It has been said also that early dealer orders were filled as requested but that later ones had to take a cut in the number of sets which the Crown Agents were able to deliver.

Collectors who are planning to build collections of the UPU issues should not hesitate too long before embarking on its formation. Some of the earlier issues are reported to be exhausted from dealer stocks with replacements coming at higher prices when available.

A collection of the issues for the 75th anniversary of the Universal Postal Union gives every collector the unprecedented opportunity of having a complete showing of stamps from nearly all countries of the world, and which when the last set is offered to the public near the end of the year, will make a collection which is complete one and for all.

Persons interested in the stamps of Poland might not realize that a lot of otherwise unavailable information and data about its stamp issues is easily obtainable. A society of stamp collectors with members in all parts of the United States specializes in the stamps of this country. It is the Polonus Philatelic Society of Chicago which each month through its informative bulletin acquaints the members with news and stories about Polish issues.

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The club maintains an information service about Polish issues and an expertizing committee to pass on the questionable stamps which members might submit to it.

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8	#8 12c Black 1851 iss. VF	25.00
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10	#10 24c Grey Lilac-1860 iss. JF-F used Red can.	20.00
11	#11 10c Light Blue-Special Printing-JF-F mint	16.50
12	#12 6c Blue 1861 iss. Ver. Strip of 4-JF used tied on cover dated June 6, 1862 New York	33.50
13	#13 6c Pink Fine used on Cover not tied	33.50
14	#14 24c Grey Lilac-1860 iss. JF-F used	20.00
15	#15 24c Lilac-1863 iss. JF used	6.00
16	#16 3c Rose D. Grill, JF used cuts on bottom	16.00
17	#17 3c Rose Z. Grill, JF used light Blue can.	67.50
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19	#19 1c Blue 9 x 13 Grill, F used light Black can.	8.50
20	#20 2c Jackson 9 x 13 JF-F mint	8.50
21	#21 5c Brown Grill F used lightly can. close on Top	35.00
22	#22 15c Black 9 x 13 Grill JF used	8.00
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515	★	79-80	Belgium-Brussels Exhibition iss. 2 Diff. F mint	7.50	700	★	208-22	Malta 1d-10sh Self Gov't. F mint set cpl.	8.38	878	★	349 2c	Col perf. 12 hor. 5 F mint pairs	30.00
516	★	22-24	B64-68, 93-97, 163-165, 170-171, 180, 87 Belgium 6 diff.	1.50	701	★	C29-30	Mexico Air Mail. F mint set cpl.	3.25	879	★	349 2c	Col perf. 12 hor. 20 F-VF used pairs	40.00
517	★	B25-B30	Belgium Charity F mint cpl. set	10.25	702	★	1-8	Monaco 1885 Iss. Just. VF used cpl. 11. Postage	13.25	880	★	368 2c	Lincoln 10 5 Superb used copies	25.00
518	★	B30	Belgium Semi-Postal F mint copy	7.50	703	★	208-22	Malta 1d-10sh Self Gov't. F mint set cpl.	8.38	881	★	368 2c	Lincoln 10 5 Superb used copies	25.00
519	★	B30	Belgium 20c Violet & Red F-VF mint	7.50	704	★	208-22	Malta 1d-10sh Self Gov't. F mint set cpl.	8.38	882	★	383 1c	Imperf. 84 JF mint copies all in strips	42.00
520	★	B69-77	Belgium 1885-1898 Iss. Just. VF used cpl. 11. Postage	13.25	705	★	208-22	Malta 1d-10sh Self Gov't. F mint set cpl.	8.38	883	★	385 1c	Col Perf. 12 Hor. 5 F mint pairs	15.00
521	★	B30	Belgium Semi-Postal F mint set cpl.	4.03	706	★	208-22	Malta 1d-10sh Self Gov't. F mint set cpl.	8.38	884	★	386 2c	Col perf. 12 Hor. 11 F mint pairs	27.50
522	★	B83-B98	Belgium Semi-Postal F mint set cpl.	5.15	707	★	208-22	Malta 1d-10sh Self Gov't. F mint set cpl.	8.38	885	★	403 2c	Imp. 1912 Iss. 50 F Ver. Prs. 100 copies	10.00
523	★	B107-113	Belgium Semi-Postal F mint set cpl.	8.65	708	★	B9-20	Netherlands Semi-Postal 3 diff. F mint cpl. sets	6.15	886	★	403 2c	Imp. 1912 Iss. 50 F Ver. Prs. 100 copies	10.00
524	★	B209-220	Belgium 2 diff. F mint cpl. sets	5.00	709	★	B6-12	Netherlands Semi-Postal 2 diff. F mint cpl. sets	3.80	887	★	409 2c	Carmine Imperf. 1912 Iss. 35 F mint Ver Prs.	7.00
525	★	B214-220	Belgium Semi-Postal 3 diff. F mint cpl. sets	7.10	710	★	B25-32	Netherlands Semi-Postal 3 diff. F mint cpl. sets	5.20	888	★	412 1c	Green Col Perf. 8 1/2 Ver. 3 F mint copies	10.50
526	★	B223-240	Belgium Red Cross Iss. F mint set cpl.	4.65	711	★	B21-32	Netherlands Semi-Postal 3 diff. F mint cpl. sets	7.25	889	★	412 1c	Col Perf. 8 1/2 Ver. 16 F-VF mint pairs	11.20
527	★	B250-255	Belgium Restoration Iss. F mint set cpl.	8.50	712	★	B21-32	Netherlands Semi-Postal 3 diff. F mint cpl. sets	7.25	890	★	413 2c	Carmine Col Perf. 8 1/2 Ver. 5 VF mint pairs	17.50
528	★	B256-63	Belgium Semi-Postal F mint set cpl.	5.04	713	★	B30-53	Netherlands Semi-Postal 3 diff. F mint cpl. sets	6.70	891	★	424 1c	Green Perf. 10 Wmkd. 25 F mint blks of 4	27.50
529	★	B257-259	Belgium Semi-Postal F mint set cpl.	4.00	714	★	B30-53	Netherlands Semi-Postal 3 diff. F mint cpl. sets	6.70	892	★	425 2c	Perf. 10 S.L. 50 F-VF mint pairs	11.00
530	★	B293-302	B395-96, B1-4 Belgium 3 diff. F mint sets cpl.	5.16	715	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	893	★	426 2c	Green Perf. Wmkd. 10 F-VF mint pairs	20.00
531	★	B319-28	B332-343 Belgium 3 diff. F mint sets cpl.	4.52	716	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	894	★	426 2c	Green Perf. Wmkd. 10 F-VF mint pairs	20.00
532	★	B346-367	B385-92 Belgium 4 diff. F mint set cpl.	6.82	717	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	895	★	426 2c	Green Perf. Wmkd. 10 F-VF mint pairs	20.00
533	★	C5	Belgium 3 fr. Dark Violet F mint set cpl.	20.00	718	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	896	★	441 1c	Green Perf. 10 Hor. 100 F-VF copies all in prs.	5.00
534	★	B23	Belgium Semi-Postal F mint set cpl.	4.30	719	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	897	★	441 1c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
535	★	B23	Belgium East Africa Char. ty. iss. F-VF mint	24.50	720	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	898	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
536	★	B17-20	Belgium East Africa Char. ty. iss. F-VF mint	24.50	721	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	899	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
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538	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	723	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	901	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
539	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	724	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	902	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
540	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	725	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	903	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
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543	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	728	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	906	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
544	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	729	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	907	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
545	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	730	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	908	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
546	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	731	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	909	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
547	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	732	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	910	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
548	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	733	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	911	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
549	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	734	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	912	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
550	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	735	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	913	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
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560	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	745	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	923	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
561	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	746	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	924	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
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577	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	762	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	940	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
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585	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	770	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	948	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
586	★	B28A-289A	Bolivia 2 VF mint Imperf. Souv. Sheets	80.00	771	★	B34-37	Netherlands Semi-Postal F used set cpl.	3.75	949	★	442 2c	Col Perf. 10 Hor. 50 F-VF cpl. prs.	5.00
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It appears that Washington is  
really taking note of the fact that  
Plate Number data is a vital ne-  
cessity, in the philatelic field.Recent releases show, in addition  
to the usual information on plate  
numbers issued and sent to press,  
how many impressions have been  
made from certain plate numbers  
retired from service.It is most interesting to note that  
official figures have been released  
on the number of impressions  
made from the Palomar plates  
23888 and 23889. The report, from  
Washington, states that there were  
only 21,597 impressions made from  
plates 23888 and 23889. The two  
other Palomar plates, 23884 and  
23885, had 102,416 impressions.A short while back I stated, in  
this column, that I had learned  
from unofficial sources that there  
had been only 10,000 impressions  
made from plate numbers 23888  
and 23889. Naturally official fig-  
ures of 21,000 doubles the value of  
my original findings. Neverthe-  
less I am happy to be able to have  
a definite figure to work on and  
the following statement is being  
directed to those who have been  
belittling the 88 and 89 plates.The upper left, upper right and  
lower positions are about par in  
scarcity whereas the lower rights  
are worth twice as much as any of  
the other three positions. All four  
positions are tough to find and I  
don't care if there are some in-  
dividuals who were lucky enough  
to find 100 panes, the fact still  
remains that the majority of plate  
number collectors still need them  
and if such a situation prevails  
with an issue only recently taken  
off sale then they ARE SCARCE  
..... PERIOD.The three day "STAMPEX"  
show, in Newark, N. J. sponsored  
by the Essex Stamp Club, proved  
to me that the popularity of plate  
number collecting is mounting,  
not only with the collectors but  
with the dealers as well. Table  
after table displayed plate number  
blocks and in addition a new phase  
seems to be cropping up. Plate  
number collecting of foreign  
material. Many of the tables had  
special selections of these stamps,  
with plate numbers in the margins  
and a great many specialized in  
various other marginal markings  
on foreign stamps.We, the collectors of U. S. plate  
number blocks have probably lost  
sight of the fact that other  
countries can produce their stamps  
with numbers in the margins and  
let me state that they do make a  
beautiful showing.For instance the UPU issues of  
the world can and do make a  
beautiful display when they are  
set up with the various marginal  
markings. The truth of the matter  
is that most all foreign countries  
in the past have produced their  
stamps with plate numbers  
appearing in the margins but as I  
mentioned above we have been too  
busy with our own numbers to pay  
any attention to these others. At  
any rate when you take a series,  
such as the UPU, and acquire  
them, if possible with plate  
numbers, then you surely do have  
something that is not only beau-  
tiful to look at but also a series  
that should mount in value as the  
years go by.At this time I would like to re-  
port that the issues of 1948 are  
still holding firm. In fact some are  
still advancing. The Harlan Stone  
stamp is definitely one to watch.  
Plate numbers 23892 and 23893 are  
none too plentiful and it certainly  
is surprising that so many want  
lists still show a need for positions  
of these two plates.

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have been removed from sale we  
find there is a mild rush to acquire  
as many of 23884 and 23885 as can  
be had.Another very important de-  
velopment has been the appear-  
ance of a lower left plate number  
block 22176, here in NYC. This is  
a block of ten and is reputed to be  
of excellent centering. As most of  
you know, this is a plate from the  
20c Presidential and to date there  
have been only a few found.Current valuations are from  
\$650.00 to \$750.00 for a plate  
position of 22176. The chances are  
that this block will change hands  
within the next few days and if it  
is at all possible I will report the  
amount realized in a future  
column.Up to now I have heard of the ex-  
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many sources and it was also  
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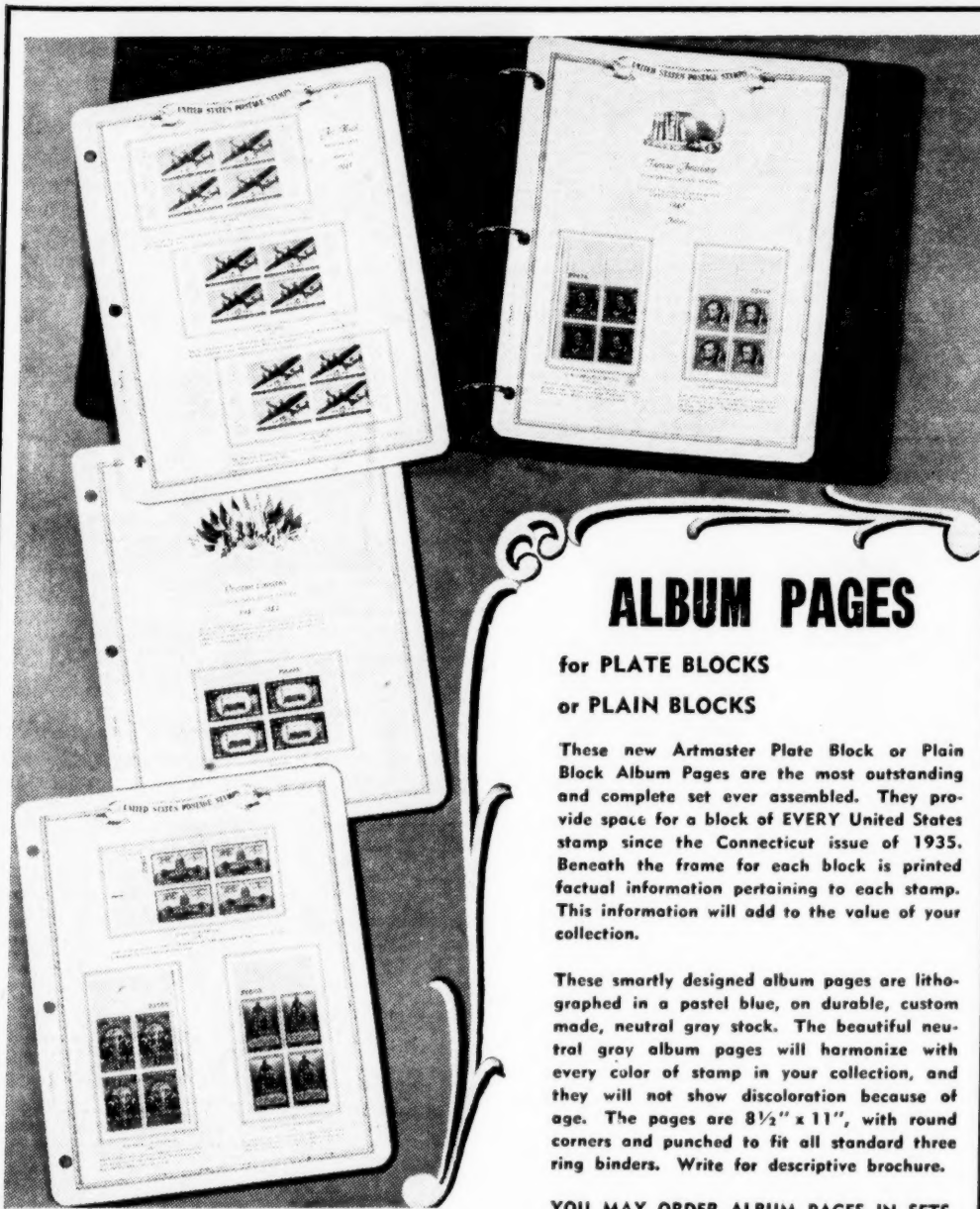
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The five new Canadian stamps originally planned for release on June 6 but delayed due to revision of the design, will be released on November 15, 1949.

**NEW ZEALAND.** The Laughing Boy health set was recently increased by Scott to \$35.00 due to the real scarcity of these stamps. Only 75,000 of the 1d plus 1d and 112,000 of the 2d plus 1d were sold, the smallest number of any of the health stamps issued.

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These U. P. U. sets evidently bought with black market Pounds were for delivery to dealers in the U. S.

At least one large New York dealer who took many advance orders will probably be unable to make his deliveries. It is anticipated that the supply of these U. P. U. sets will not be large enough to supply the demand—unless it should be decided to reprint which is improbable.

The Crown Agents have announced that one value of the Transjordan (Jordan) set is entirely sold out and that some advance orders were being filled with only 50 per cent of the requested number of this value. This has the effect of limiting the number of complete sets available.

**BAHAWALPUR.** The U. P. U. issue just arrived in the U. S. consists of four values for postal use and the same 4 surcharged for official use. These 8 stamps are now available and the price is based on the 30c Rupee as Bahawalpur did not devalue its currency.

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